

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1690 without my signature.

Requesting the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) to conduct a review and issue a report does not require legislation. Any member of the Legislature may request the LAO to conduct a study. This bill was amended five times, was heard in five different committees, and debated and voted on by members in both the Assembly and Senate. After thousands of state taxpayer dollars were spent during that process, the ultimate end product resulted in a bill that is not even necessary, since its objective can be accomplished simply by sending a one page letter to the LAO requesting the information.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger